

THE BRITISH COLONIST.
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Female Suffrage.
At least two of the States of the American Union have set an example to the world by removing the disabilities that have prevented women from exercising the right of franchise. In Kansas and Wisconsin, the Legislatures, by large majorities, have decided that women may vote and hold office. Every person of the mature age of twenty-one, residing within the limits of those States, is entitled to exercise the privileges of an American citizen. Should the other States amend their laws in the same respect, there will be nothing in the way of a woman occupying the position of President of the United States, and, considering the influence a pair of black eyes and pouting lips, to say nothing of pretty feet encased in neat gaiters, will have over the male portion of the voters, such a result would not be surprising. But, joking aside, why should women not vote? Why should not a woman be as eligible to the position of head of a Republic as head of a Monarchy? Under what sovereign has England prospered more than under Queen Victoria? and who of the whole mighty line of rulers made England's name respected at home and abroad more thoroughly than Good Queen Bess? Joanne d'Arc saved France. We do not say that women would make good soldiers (notwithstanding the warm testimony of the King of Dahomey in their favor); for there are physical disabilities that Nature has interposed to render them inefficient; but we do candidly believe that in most of the light pursuits of life—the arts, the sciences, the pulpit, the bar, the legislature—they would rank with if not excel their male contemporaries. In literature, women stand in the front rank. A few years ago the idea of women becoming physicians was scouted as preposterous; yet to-day there are several colleges in England and America where women are exclusively educated for the profession: and several graduates of those institutes are already in successful practice in the large cities of both countries. Women have shone on the stage: why should they not shine in the forum? Their slender fingers are admirably adapted to setting type, and some of the large printing offices in the East employ no men. In telegraphy they are acquiring the reputation of being clever operators, and as sculptors and painters several of the sex are rapidly rising to fame. We do not say that we would permit every woman to vote any more than we would permit every man. A stringent qualification would be always desirable in both cases; but it should bear equally on both sexes. We look upon the law that debarb an intelligent, respectable woman from taking part in the government of her country, yet places the largest amount of political liberty in the hands of every ignorant, debased specimen of the masculine gender, as a legal absurdity that the enlightened public sentiment of civilized communities is destined soon to sweep away. Woman is essentially the helpmeet of man. She shares his burdens and his sorrows; why should she not share his honors and his successes? Why should not a married woman be placed in a position to say who shall or who shall not be sent to Parliament to make laws to govern her and her children, and levy taxes upon property that she holds in common with her husband? And not only should married women be allowed to exercise the privilege, but all women of the legal age of twenty-one possessed of the necessary qualification should be entitled to the same privilege. The humanizing influence the sex exercise over us socially should be extended to our politics. Their presence in public life would elevate and improve the tone of public men and insure us honest and efficient public servants.

A Kind Word.
In the San Francisco *Alta*, of 1st June, inst., we find a letter written by Mr. Harnett from this city, which we think it well to republish. Few men have visited us who carried the community with him more than this gentleman, and the letter in question in every respect is creditable to him. As a writer on mining matters in the *Alta*, of four years standing, he would not be likely to make a rash assertion to his own injury for the sake of more braggadoocio. He evidently understands himself, and the matter under discussion; and therefore the statements he makes in reference to the yield of our mines is of more than casual importance. We let the letter speak for itself, satisfied all good citizens will applaud its boldness and truth. We trust our friends at

Cariboo will give him a real hearty reception:
Editors *ALTA*.—Since I commenced writing in your paper, extending through a period of nearly four years, I have ever found you ready to publish any statements tending to exhibit the wealth of the Pacific Coast, if those statements came to you authenticated. As you are aware, during the period mentioned, I have endeavored through your columns to state faithfully the mineral wealth, especially of different places in California, which, though unwisely considered insignificant by leading capitalists, are nevertheless important in the relation they bear to the great mining interests of the nation at large, and must inevitably become more important as time increases and extends our developments. In the same spirit I wish now to say a few words in reference to British Columbia.

There is a disposition in San Francisco, especially among leading business men to do injustice to this country, for no other reason, that I can see, than because it is an *English Colony*. You will be surprised at the extent of this injustice, and I am sure willing to expose it, when you come to understand the matter thoroughly. It involves too much time now, but it shall be ventilated fully when I return home, and give you the letters upon this really unknown region which I have already promised you. Nothing can be more ridiculous than people of means in San Francisco depreciating the value of this colony, arresting the progress of its trade, lowering its commercial reputation, or retarding its agricultural and mining developments, because our great Queen City would absorb every dollar of its combined products, the same as she absorbs those of every place on the coast lying within the jurisdiction of our General Government. In proportion to the value of those products, and I assure you they would soon be enormous with a little friendly help, is the great wrong done to the many to subvert the purposes and the prejudices of the few?
With a sincere desire to do good, I will endeavor, shortly, to discuss this subject in a calm and dispassionate spirit, for I am satisfied nothing but the folly of our people below, together with the wrongs of the local Government, can prevent this Colony becoming of immense importance to American interests. At present, and in support of these opinions, I can only refer to the amount of gold sent down by the Active this trip. The total sum foots up to \$380,000; the Bank of British North America sending \$293,502.75, and the Bank of British Columbia about \$85,652. Independent of this respectable sum there have been some minor shipments, amounting, probably, to \$150,000. Now, excluding Washoe with her silver, and Grass Valley and her gold, the two principal mining sections we possess, I doubt whether anything like that amount has been taken out in the same time by any section in California or the Territories, especially when we recollect it was done by a mere handful of men. At Dutch Flat, the centre of our hydraulic system, there are some twenty-five or thirty crack claims, and yet even here I doubt whether they can beat this sum materially. It is not in a carping, or miserable national spirit that I dot down these items of travel; but, that Americans and English thrown together on this distant Coast may put aside their wretched jealousies, and work together as God has intended, for the prosperity and happiness of mankind.
I remain, as ever,
L. H.

How Queen Victoria and Her Ladies Dress at a Court Presentation.
The *London Times*, of March 27th, says: The Queen held a court at Buckingham palace on Saturday afternoon. The Queen wore a black silk dress with a train trimmed with ermine; the Mary Queen of Scots cap with a long veil of white ermine lisse, and a diadem of jet. Her Majesty also wore jet ornaments, the Ribbon and the Star of the Order of the Garter; and the Victoria and Albert Order.
Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise wore a train of rich white silk, and a petticoat of tulle over white lace trimmed with bows of white ribbons. Head-dress: water-lilies and black leaves, feathers and veil, jet ornaments, Victoria and Albert Order, and Order of St. Isabel.
Her Royal Highness the Princess Beatrice wore a white silk dress with jet ornaments. The Countess of Gainsborough wore trains and corsage of the richest black velvet, elaborately embroidered in plumage and jet; petticoat of rich black satin, similarly embroidered. Head-dress: black plume, veil of black tulle embroidered in jet; ornaments, diamond tiara and parure en suite. The Viscountess Newby wore a train of the richest black velvet, lined in silk, trimmed with rubies; corsage to correspond; very elegantly trimmed with crystal fringe and point lace, tulle and crystal. Coiffure of ostrich feathers, water lilies and veil; parure of diamonds. Lady Blanche Noel wore a train and corsage of a Vandeyke of very rich satin, trimmed with a fringe of feathers, edged with plume d'argent; petticoat of white ermine lisse, white ribbons of silver. Coiffure a la Savigne, white plume and veil, ornamented with plume d'argent; ornaments, pearls and diamonds. Lady Constance Noel wore a train and corsage of the richest white silk trimmed with pearls; petticoats of white tulle over white silk, trimmed with pearls. Head-dress: white plume and veil embroidered in pearls; ornaments, pearls and diamonds. Lady Jane Taylor wore a train of black poult de soie, lined with glove and trimmed with black velvet and lace; petticoat of black tulle over tulle, with granitule of tulle bouillon, and tulle of fine black lace, attached with bouquets of white roses. Head-dress: plume and lappets; ornaments, diamonds. Lady Mary Arkwright wore a train of the richest gray poult de soie, lined with white lace and bordered with Brussels lace; corsage to correspond; skirt of gray tulle over lace, trimmed with bouillons of tulle and rouleaux and needs of black tulle. Head-dress: plume and veil; diamond and pearl ornaments. Lady Montgomery wore a train of black poult de soie, bordered with velvet; petticoat of black tulle bouillon over lace, with tulle of tulle ornamented with black satin; corsage trimmed with lace and tulle to correspond. Head-dress: plume and veil; ornaments, diamonds.

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